Piravom-Mammala Road.

55 *MR. K. M. PAUL : Will the Government be pleased to state

(*a*) when the work of the Piravom-Mammala road was begun ;

(*b*) the distance of the unfinished portion of the road ;

(*c*) the amount already spent on the road ;

(*d*) the additional amount required to finish the work ; and

(*e*) by what time Government expect to open the road ?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKITAKRISHNAN (*Ag. Chief Engineer*) : (*a*) In 1927.

(*b*) No portion is left unfinished.

(*c*) Rs. 22,557.

(*d*) and (*e*) Do not arise in view of answer to part (*b*).

MR. K. M. PAUL : May I know from the honourable member what portion of the road remains to be constructed ?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKITAKRISHNAN : The road was begun some time in 1942. Putting the road completely in order would cost another 20 or 25 thousand rupees. The estimate is under preparation.

MR. K. M. PAUL : In view of the fact that the work was started in 1927, will the department be pleased to complete the construction immediately,

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKITAKRISHNAN : The work was taken up only as a sort of village road. Trace was made in 1941 and 42. Subsequently no work was done. It was only recently that a representation was received and the estimate is under preparation.

MR. P. O. THOMAS : May I know from the honourable member the average time taken by the department to prepare an estimate?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKITAKRISHNAN : I am unable to tell you.

Vettical-Piravom Road.

56 *MR. K. M. PAUL : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) when the work of the Vettical-Piravom road was started ;

(*b*) the amount already spent on the road :

(*c*) whether yearly maintenance is allowed for this road ;

(*d*) if so, what is the amount ; and

(*e*) why the work was not completed so far ?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKITAKRISHNAN : (*a*) No work was started on the trace in recent times.

(*b*) Does not arise in view of the answer to part (*a*).

(*c*) Yes.

(*d*) Rs. 20 per mile.

(*e*) Does not arise in view of the answer to part (*a*).

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MR. K. M. PAUL : May I know from the honourable member whether he is aware that only one mile of the road remains yet to be completed?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKITAKRISHNAN : There are only three miles. It is being maintained by an interested party, I am told. That is all that I know about it.

Road from Pothenicadu Junction to Kakkadaserry Ferry.

57. *MR. K. M. PAUL : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the distance of the incomplete road from Pothenicadu junction (in Kothamangalam-Pothenicadu road in Muvattupuzha taluk) to Kakkadaserry ferry in Kothamangalam-Muvattupuzha river near Muvattupuzha ;

(*b*) whether the site of the road had been acquired by Government ;

(*c*) whether estimate has been prepared for the same ;

(*d*) if so, what is the amount ;

(*e*) how much money has been spent on this road and what portion of the work is left unfinished ;

(*f*) why the work was stopped ;

(*g*) whether yearly maintenance is allowed for this trace ;

(*h*) if so, what is the amount ; and

(*i*) whether the maintenance is done every year ?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKITAKRISHNAN :

(*a*) 3 3/8 miles.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) Yes.

(*d*) Rs. 18,400.

(*e*) No amount has been spent as the estimate has not been sanctioned and the work has not been started.

(*f*) This does not arise in view to answer (*e*).

(*g*) Yes.

(*h*) Rs. 20. per mile.

(*i*) Yes.

Opening a road from Chinnakulam 2/4 Dharmapuram-Kunchanvilai road.

58 *MR. S. THIRAVIAM NADAR (*Nominated*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether any representations were made to open a road from Chinnakulam 2/4 Dharmapuram Kunchanvilai road ; and

(*b*) if so, what steps were taken for opening the road ?

DEWAN BAHADUR L. VENKITAKRISHNAN (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The matter is under consideration.

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